

CULLEN FROST BANKERS INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FROST PATRICK B**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**CULLEN FROST BANKERS INC [CFR]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**100 WEST HOUSTON STREET**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**10/19/2009**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Pres., The Frost National Bank

**SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205**

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (A) or (D) Price		
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	10/19/2009		F		\$ 50.7 (1)	D	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	10/20/2009		A		\$ 0 (2)	D	
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value					630	I (3)	By Spouse

Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	3,855	I	Trustee for Children
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	43,582	I <sup>(4)</sup>	Through Trust
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	1,486.44	I <sup>(5)</sup>	Through Limited Liability Company
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	22,940	I	Through 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Derivative Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 50.64	10/20/2009		A	9,360	<sup>(6)</sup>	10/20/2019	Common Stock	9,360

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

FROST PATRICK B  
100 WEST HOUSTON STREET X  
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78205

Pres., The Frost National Bank

## Signatures

/s/ Patrick B.  
Frost 10/21/2009

\*\*Signature of  
Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Reflects the withholding of Common Stock to satisfy the reporting person's tax withholding obligation.
- (2) Restricted stock award with four year restriction period.
- (3) Mr. Frost disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (4) Reflects limited partnership ("LP") interests held by a trust of which Mr. Frost is the trustee. The number of shares reported assumes that each LP interest represents a proportionate interest in the shares of common stock in which the LP has a pecuniary interest.
- (5) The number of shares reported assumes each limited liability company interest represents a proportionate interest in the shares of common stock in which the limited liability company has a pecuniary interest. Mr. Frost is the manager of the limited liability company.
- (6) Vest 25% per year for four years from grant date.

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